



# *Zion at Prayer*

Pentecost and Trinity 1-2

**June 5 – July 2, 2022**

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# Daily Catechesis and Prayer for the Week of Pentecost

*June 5 – 11, 2022*

*Pray and confess out loud as much as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.*

## Invocation

In the Name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

O Lord, open my lips,  
**and my mouth will declare Your praise.**

*Ps. 51:15*

Thy commandments make me wiser than my enemies,  
**for they are ever mine.**

*Ps. 119:98*

How sweet are Thy words to my taste!  
**Yes, sweeter than honey to my mouth!**

*Ps. 119:103*

Thy Word is a lamp to my feet  
**and a light to my path.**

*Ps. 119:105*

Accept the freewill offerings of my mouth, O LORD,  
**and instruct me in Thy judgments.**

*Ps. 119:108*

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## Psalmody

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 143

*Additional Psalms, if desired*

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
29 – 34	35 – 38	39 – 43	44 – 48	49 – 54	55 – 59	60 – 65

## Memory Verse

*Current memory challenge: Psalm 4. This week we will memorize verses 4-5.  
Read the entire psalm every day.*

<sup>4</sup> Be angry, and do not sin;  
ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent. *Selah*

<sup>5</sup> Offer right sacrifices,  
and put your trust in the Lord.

## Catechism

### The Second Commandment

You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

### Hymn of the Week

*Continue to memorize the hymns in the Thirty Days of Forgiveness booklet – LSB 607 and 566. Sing this hymn of the week as time permits.*

#### LSB 497 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

- 1    Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord,  
      With all Your graces now outpoured  
          On each believer's mind and heart;  
          Your fervent love to them impart.  
Lord, by the brightness of Your light  
In holy faith Your Church unite;  
      From ev'ry land and ev'ry tongue  
      This to Your praise, O Lord, our God, be sung:  
      Alleluia, alleluia!
- 2    Come, holy Light, guide divine,  
      Now cause the Word of life to shine.  
      Teach us to know our God aright  
      And call Him Father with delight.  
From ev'ry error keep us free;  
Let none but Christ our master be  
      That we in living faith abide,  
      In Him, our Lord, with all our might confide.  
      Alleluia, alleluia!
- 3    Come, holy Fire, comfort true,  
      Grant us the will Your work to do  
      And in Your service to abide;  
      Let trials turn us not aside.  
Lord, by Your pow'r prepare each heart,  
And to our weakness strength impart  
      That bravely here we may contend,  
      Through life and death to You, our Lord, ascend.  
      Alleluia, alleluia!

**Reading and Meditation**

Read the text and meditation for the day.

*Additional readings, if desired*

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
Numbers 21:10-35  Luke 21:20-38	Numbers 22:1-20  Luke 22:1-23	Numbers 22:21 – 23:3  Luke 22:24-46	Numbers 23:4-28  Luke 22:47-71	Numbers 24:1-25  Luke 23:1-25	Numbers 27:12-23  Luke 23:26-56	Numbers 32:1-6, 16-27  Luke 24:1-27

**Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
    who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
    born of the virgin Mary,  
    suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
    was crucified, died and was buried.  
    He descended into hell.  
    On the third day He rose again from the dead.  
    He ascended into heaven  
    and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
    From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
    the holy Christian Church,  
    the communion of saints,  
    the forgiveness of sins,  
    the resurrection of the body,  
    and the life  $\text{✠}$  everlasting. Amen.

**Lord’s Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven,  
    hallowed be Thy name.  
    Thy kingdom come,  
    Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
    give us this day our daily bread;  
    and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those  
        who trespass against us;  
    and lead us not into temptation,  
    but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

### **Collect of the Week**

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

### **Luther's Morning or Evening Prayer**

#### *Morning*

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

#### *Evening*

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

### **Benedicamus**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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## **Commemorations, Feasts, and Festivals This Week**

### **June 5: Boniface of Mainz, *Missionary to the Germans***

Boniface was born in the late seventh century in England. Though he was educated, became a monk, and was ordained as a presbyter in England, he was inspired by the example of others to become a missionary. Upon receiving a papal commission in 719 to work in Germany, Boniface devoted himself to planting, organizing, and reforming churches and monasteries in Hesse, Thuringia, and Bavaria. After becoming an archbishop, Boniface was assigned to the See of Mainz in 743. Ten years later he resigned his position to engage in mission work in the Netherlands. On June 5, 754, while awaiting a group of converts for confirmation, Boniface and his companions were murdered by a band of pagans. Boniface is known as the apostle and missionary to the Germans.

## **June 11: St. Barnabas, *Apostle***

Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, received the name Barnabas from the apostles (Acts 4:36–37). He was sent to Antioch to *see the grace of God* among the Hellenists, *exhorting them all to remain faithful to the Lord* (11:22–24). There, through His Church, the Holy Spirit “*set apart Barnabas and Paul for the work to which He had called them*” (Acts 13:2). Just as Christ had *sent out the twelve to proclaim repentance and cast out demons and heal the sick* (Mark 6:7–13), so He now sent Paul and Barnabas to *proclaim repentance and healing* among the Gentiles. Still, this Word is not always received (Acts 13:44–52). Even within the Church divisions threaten it. Barnabas knew this. He was at the Jerusalem council to see that the Gospel was preserved without mingling in the Law (15:2–4), and he parted ways with Paul over the usefulness of John Mark (15:36–41). Despite all these trials, St. Barnabas remained *full of faith* so the Gentiles could *give glory to the Lord and declare His praise in the coastlands* (Isa. 42:12). Thus, by the Lord’s *calling and Spirit* (v. 5–7), Barnabas lived up to his new name: “*Son of Encouragement*” (4:36).

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## **Looking Ahead to Sunday**

### **The Holy Trinity June 12, 2022**

**Readings:** Isaiah 6:1-7; Romans 11:33-36; John 3:1-17

**Hymns:** 505, 498, 954, 940, 604, 507, 960, 948, 941

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# Daily Catechesis and Prayer for the Week of the Holy Trinity

*June 12 – 18, 2022*

*Pray and confess out loud as much as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.*

## Invocation

In the Name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

O Lord, open my lips,  
**and my mouth will declare Your praise.**

*Ps. 51:15*

Thy commandments make me wiser than my enemies,  
**for they are ever mine.**

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How sweet are Thy words to my taste!  
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**and instruct me in Thy judgments.**

*Ps. 119:108*

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## Psalmody

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 29

*Additional Psalms, if desired*

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
66 – 68	69 – 71	72 – 76	77 – 78	79 – 82	83 – 87	88 – 89

## Memory Verse

*Current memory challenge: Psalm 4. This week we will memorize verses 6-8.  
Read the entire psalm every day.*

<sup>6</sup> There are many who say, “Who will show us some good?

Lift up the light of your face upon us, O Lord!”

<sup>7</sup> You have put more joy in my heart  
than they have when their grain and wine abound.

<sup>8</sup> In peace I will both lie down and sleep;  
for you alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.

## Catechism

### The Third Commandment

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

### Hymn of the Week

*Continue to memorize the hymns in the Thirty Days of Forgiveness booklet – LSB 607 and 566. Sing this hymn of the week as time permits.*

#### LSB 498 Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

- 1    Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest,  
      And make our hearts Your place of rest;  
      Come with Your grace and heav'nly aid,  
      And fill the hearts which You have made.
- 2    To You, the Counselor, we cry,  
      To You, the gift of God Most High;  
      The fount of life, the fire of love,  
      The soul's anointing from above.
- 3    In You, with graces sevenfold,  
      We God's almighty hand behold  
      While You with tongues of fire proclaim  
      To all the world His holy name.
- 4    Your light to ev'ry thought impart,  
      And shed Your love in ev'ry heart;  
      The weakness of our mortal state  
      With deathless might invigorate.
- 5    Drive far away our wily foe,  
      And Your abiding peace bestow;  
      With You as our protecting guide,  
      No evil can with us abide.
- 6    Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
      And You, from both, as Three in One  
      That we Your name may ever bless  
      And in our lives the truth confess.
- 7    Praise we the Father and the Son  
      And Holy Spirit, with them One,



And may the Son on us bestow  
The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

## Reading and Meditation

Read the text and meditation for the day.

*Additional readings, if desired*

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
Proverbs 10:1-23	Proverbs 13:1-25	Proverbs 14:1-27	Proverbs 15:1-29	Proverbs 16:1-24	Proverbs 17:1-28	Proverbs 20:5-25
John 14:1-17	John 14:18-31	John 15:1-11	John 15:12-27	John 16:1-16	John 16:17-33	John 17:1-26

## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

### **Collect of the Week**

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

### **Luther's Morning or Evening Prayer**

#### *Morning*

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

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### **Benedicamus**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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## **Commemorations, Feasts, and Festivals This Week**

### **June 12: The Ecumenical Council of Nicaea, A.D. 325**

The first Council of Nicaea was convened in the early summer of 325 by the Roman Emperor Constantine at what is today Isnuik, Turkey. The emperor presided at the opening of the council. The council ruled against the Arians, who taught that Jesus was not the eternal Son of God but was created by the Father and was called Son of God because of his righteousness. The chief opponents of the Arians were Alexander, bishop of Alexandria, and his deacon, Athanasius. The council confessed the eternal divinity of Jesus and adopted the earliest version of the Nicene Creed, which in its entirety was adopted at the Council of

Constantinople in 381.

### **June 14: Elisha**

Elisha, son of Shaphat of the tribe of Issachar, was the prophet of God to the northern kingdom of Israel ca. 849-786 B.C. Upon seeing his mentor Elijah taken up into heaven, Elisha assumed the prophetic office and took up the mantle of his predecessor. Like Elijah, Elisha played an active role in political affairs. He also performed many miracles, such as curing the Syrian army commander Naaman of his leprosy (2 Kings 5:1-27) and restoring life to the son of a Shunammite woman (2 Kings 4:8-37). A vocal opponent of Baal worship, Elisha lived up to his name, which means "my God is salvation."

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### **Looking Ahead to Sunday**

**The First Sunday after Trinity  
June 19, 2022**

**Readings:** Genesis 15:1-6; 1 John 4:16-21; Luke 16:19-31

**Hymns:** 587, 768, 505, 571, 954, 619, 696, 585, 708

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# Daily Catechesis and Prayer for the First Week after Trinity

*June 19 – 25, 2022*

*Pray and confess out loud as much as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.*

## Invocation

In the Name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

O Lord, open my lips,  
**and my mouth will declare Your praise.**

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*Ps. 119:108*

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as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## Psalmody

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 33:12-22

*Additional Psalms, if desired*

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
90 – 96	97 – 103	104 – 105	106 – 107	108 – 112	113 – 118	119: 1-96

## Memory Verse

*Current memory challenge: Psalm 130. This week we will memorize verses 1-2.  
Read the entire psalm every day.*

<sup>1</sup> Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!

<sup>2</sup> O Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive

to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

## Catechism

### The Fourth Commandment

Honor your father and your mother.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

### Hymn of the Week

*Continue to memorize the hymns in the Thirty Days of Forgiveness booklet – LSB 607 and 566. Sing this hymn of the week as time permits.*

### LSB 768 To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray

- 1 To God the Holy Spirit let us pray  
For the true faith needed on our way  
That He may defend us when life is ending  
And from exile home we are wending.  
Lord, have mercy!
- 2 O sweetest Love, Your grace on us bestow;  
Set our hearts with sacred fire aglow  
That with hearts united we love each other,  
Ev'ry stranger, sister, and brother.  
Lord, have mercy!
- 3 Transcendent Comfort in our ev'ry need,  
Help us neither scorn nor death to heed  
That we may not falter nor courage fail us  
When the foe shall taunt and assail us.  
Lord, have mercy!
- 4 Shine in our hearts, O Spirit, precious light;  
Teach us Jesus Christ to know aright  
That we may abide in the Lord who bought us,  
Till to our true home He has brought us.  
Lord, have mercy!

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### Reading and Meditation

Read the text and meditation for the day.

*Additional readings, if desired*

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
Proverbs 22:1-21  John 18:1-14	Proverbs 22:22 – 23:12  John 18:15-40	Proverbs 24:1-22  John 19:1-22	Proverbs 25:1-22  John 19:23-42	Proverbs 27:1-24  John 20:1-18	Proverbs 30:1-9, 18-33  John 20:19-31	Proverbs 31:10-31  John 21:1-25

### **Apostles' Creed**

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Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.

### **Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

## Collect of the Week

O God, the strength of all who trust in You, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing, grant us Your grace to keep Your commandments that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## Luther's Morning or Evening Prayer

### *Morning*

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

### *Evening*

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

## Benedicamus

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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## Commemorations, Feasts, and Festivals This Week

### **June 24: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**

St. John the Baptist is not the Christ, only His Forerunner (Acts 13:25). He was called from the womb *to bring Jacob back to God* through his baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins (Is 49:5), just as Christ was the true Servant of the Lord. Miraculously conceived by Zechariah the priest of barren Elizabeth, John was marked to be the greatest born of women (Matt. 11:11). The Church *rejoices over the Lord's mercy* just as Elizabeth's neighbors and relatives did at John's birth. But when Zechariah's tongue was loosed, John was not the subject of his song. *Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who has visited and redeemed His people. John is the voice preparing the way of the Lord* (Isa. 40:3); Jesus, the virgin-born Son of God, is that Lord. *John is the prophet of the Most High. He is born to give knowledge of salvation to God's people by the forgiveness of their sins, because Christ the Dayspring is visiting* (Luke 1:76–79). Thus, what John preaches is the *comfort of iniquity pardoned* by Jesus, the

*promised Savior of Israel (Acts 13:23) and the nations, that His salvation may reach to the end of the earth (Isa. 49:6).*

### **June 25: Presentation of the Augsburg Confession**

The Augsburg Confession, the principal doctrinal statement of the theology of Martin Luther and the Lutheran reformers, was written largely by Phillip Melancthon. At its heart it confesses the justification of sinners by grace alone, through faith alone, for the sake of Christ alone. Signed by leaders of many German cities and regions, the confession was formally presented to the Holy Roman Emperor Charles V at Augsburg, Germany, on June 25, 1530. A few weeks later Roman Catholic authorities rejected the Confession, which Melancthon defended in the Apology of the Augsburg Confession (1531). In 1580 the Unaltered Augsburg Confession was included in the Book of Concord.

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### **Looking Ahead to Sunday**

#### **The Second Sunday after Trinity June 26, 2022**

**Readings:** Proverbs 9:1-10; 1 John 3:13-18; Luke 14:15-24

**Hymns:** 559, 622, 818, 155, 536, 954, 619, 683

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# Daily Catechesis and Prayer for the Second Week after Trinity

*June 26 – July 2, 2022*

*Pray and confess out loud as much as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.*

## Invocation

In the Name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

O Lord, open my lips,  
**and my mouth will declare Your praise.**

*Ps. 51:15*

Thy commandments make me wiser than my enemies,  
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## Psalmody

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 34:12-22

*Additional Psalms, if desired*

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
Joshua 1:1-18	Joshua 2:1-24	Joshua 3:1-17	Joshua 4:1-24	Joshua 5:1 – 6:5	Joshua 6:6-27	Joshua 7:1-26
Acts 8:1-25	Acts 8:26-40	Acts 9:1-22	Acts 9:23-43	Acts 10:1-17	Acts 10:18-33	Acts 10:34-48

## Memory Verse

*Current memory challenge: Psalm 130. This week we will memorize verses 3-4.  
Read the entire psalm every day.*

<sup>3</sup> If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,

O Lord, who could stand?  
4 But with you there is forgiveness,  
that you may be feared.

## **Catechism**

### **The Fifth Commandment**

You shall not murder.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.

### **Hymn of the Week**

*Continue to memorize the hymns in the Thirty Days of Forgiveness booklet – LSB 607 and 566. Sing this hymn of the week as time permits.*

### **LSB 818 In Thee Is Gladness**

- 1 In Thee is gladness  
Amid all sadness,  
Jesus, sunshine of my heart.  
By Thee are given  
The gifts of heaven,  
Thou the true Redeemer art.  
Our souls Thou wakest,  
Our bonds Thou breakest;  
Who trusts Thee surely  
Has built securely;  
He stands forever: Alleluia!  
Our hearts are pining  
To see Thy shining,  
Dying or living  
To Thee are cleaving;  
Naught can us sever: Alleluia!
- 2 Since He is ours,  
We fear no powers,  
Not of earth nor sin nor death.  
He sees and blesses  
In worst distresses;  
He can change them with a breath.  
Wherefore the story  
Tell of His glory  
With hearts and voices;  
All heav'n rejoices  
In Him forever: Alleluia!  
We shout for gladness,

Triumph o'er sadness,  
Love Him and praise Him  
And still shall raise Him  
Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!

## Reading and Meditation

Read the text and meditation for the day.

*Additional readings, if desired*

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
119: 97-176	120 – 134	135 – 139	140 – 144	145 – 150	1 – 9	10 – 17

## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

### **Collect of the Week**

O Lord, since You never fail to help and govern those whom You nurture in Your steadfast fear and love, work in us a perpetual fear and love of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

### **Luther's Morning or Evening Prayer**

#### *Morning*

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

#### *Evening*

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

### **Benedicamus**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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## **Commemorations, Feasts, and Festivals This Week**

### **June 27: Cyril of Alexandria, *Pastor and Confessor***

Cyril (ca. A.D. 376-444) became archbishop of Alexandria, Egypt, in 412. Throughout his career he defended a number of orthodox doctrines, among them the teaching that Mary, the mother of Jesus, is "rightly called and truly is the Mother of God"--Theotokos, "the God-bearer" (Formula of Concord, VIII, Ep VIII, 12). In 431 the Council of Ephesus affirmed this teaching that the Son of Mary is also true God. The writings of Cyril on the doctrines of the Trinity and the person of Christ reveal him to be one of the most able theologians of his time. Cyril's Christology influenced subsequent church councils and was a primary source for Lutheran confessional writings.

## June 28: Irenaeus of Lyons, *Pastor*

Irenaeus (ca. A.D. 130-200), believed to be a native of Smyrna (modern Izmir, Turkey), studied in Rome and later became pastor in Lyons, France. Around 177, while Irenaeus was away from Lyons, a fierce persecution of Christians led to the martyrdom of his bishop. Upon Irenaeus' return, he became bishop of Lyons. Among his most famous writings is a work condemning heresies, especially Gnosticism, which denied the goodness of creation. In opposition, Irenaeus confessed that God has redeemed his creation through the incarnation of the Son. Irenaeus also affirmed the teachings of the Scriptures handed down to and through him as being normative for the Church.

## June 29: St. Peter and St. Paul, *Apostles*

*"Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God."* So confessed St. Peter. And Christ promised to *build His Church* on it by the forgiveness of sins (Matt. 16:16–19). He does this so we don't try to build the Church ourselves, on this or that person, or by any human means. *Let no one boast in men, whether Paul or Cephas, for all are yours, and you are Christ's, and Christ is God's* (1 Cor. 3:21–23). The same Lord *who worked through Peter's ministry worked also through Paul's* and is still at work in His Gospel and Sacraments (Gal. 2:7–8). The Church of every age must be recalled to *hear the Word of this Gospel*—the free forgiveness of sins for Christ's sake apart from the Law—and *believe*. The Holy Spirit *makes no distinction* among men, but *cleanses hearts by faith* alone. So *will we be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus* (Acts 15:7–11). Both were imprisoned (Acts 12:1–11), both wrote Scripture (2 Pet. 3:15–16), both opposed the world—and sometimes each other (Gal. 2:11–16)—but all *that the truth of the gospel might be preserved for us* (v. 5).

## July 2: The Visitation

Today Zechariah's house is prepared to sing: *the Lord God of Israel has visited His people* (Luke 1:68). For the Scriptures are being fulfilled: *there shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit* (Isa. 11:1). What could raise a King from a dead line? Only the Lord Himself! This is no son of man's will, but the *Seed of the woman* (Gen. 3:15). The Word of the Lord has done this, and so all are *blessed* in Him. The *greeting* of blessed Mary causes John to *leap in Elizabeth's womb* (Luke 1:41). Both are delighted at what the Word has wrought: *"blessed is she who believed there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken by the Lord"* (Luke 1:45). Likewise we too *rejoice with those who rejoice* (Rom. 12:12–15), for our *joyful hope* is the Lord who has *visited* us to *redeem* us—not just a town in Judah but our entire fallen world. The Holy Spirit discloses where salvation is to be found: in the Most Blessed Fruit of Mary's blessed womb. And the whole Church rejoices, saying, *"my Beloved Bridegroom, behold, He comes!"* (Song of Sol. 2:8).

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Looking Ahead to Sunday  
The Third Sunday after Trinity  
July 3, 2022

**Readings:** Micah 7:18-20; 1 Peter 5:6-11; Luke 15:1-32

**Hymns:** 611, 608, 616, 754, 609, 716, 719, 709

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Pick up the “Thirty Days of Forgiveness” booklet in the narthex for the devotions for the month of June. Regular devotions on the themes of each week will return in the fall.

